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MEMORANDUM FOR: State Department DCP Representative  
ATTENTION : Jerry Knoll  
FROM : CIA DCP Representative  
SUBJECT : Shin Sung Co.

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1. Permission has been granted to disseminate the unevaluated information contained in the attached report to Foreign Service posts in Japan, Hong Kong, South Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia for ACTION classified ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~.

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3. It should be noted that Kim Tai Sung's statement referred to "his" purchase, sale, and transhipment. His activities as described in the attached document may, therefore, refer to either or both of his firms, or possibly to his own personal account. Kim's statement was made in August 1958, the month that COMINT revisions of the International Lists were taking place. If confirmed, his sales of scrap iron which was either covered by the embargo or only recently downgraded, were, therefore, violations of Japanese, and possibly Hong Kong, export controls.

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